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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants direct the Examiner's attention to documents listed below and on Form PTO-1449 attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Copies of references 1-4 are attached as **Exhibits 1-4**.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the issuance of a first Office Action, but before the mailing of a final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance. According to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) this Information Disclosure Statement shall be considered if accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p). The required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$180.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed. Thus, applicants request that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be considered.

1. Chasin et al., "Isolation of Chinese hamster cell mutants deficient in dihydrofolate reductase activity" Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., July 1980 p. 4216-4220 (**Exhibit 1**);

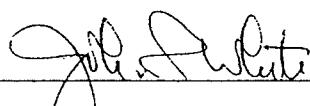
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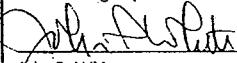
2. Cpending U.S. Serial No. 08/477,159, filed June 7, 1995
(Exhibit 2);
3. Trustees Of Columbia Univ. v. Roche Diagnostics GMBH, 150 F. Supp.2d 191 (D. Mass. 2001) **(Exhibit 3);** and
4. Trustees Of Columbia Univ. v. Roche Diagnostics, 126 F. Supp.2d 16 (D. Mass. 2000) **(Exhibit 4).**

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$180.00, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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